



# Mellon/ACLS Community College Faculty Fellowships

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## **WELCOME TO THE ONLINE APPLICATION FOR THE MELLON/ACLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACULTY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM.**

Community colleges are a vital component of the higher education ecosystem and of the academic humanities in particular. **Mellon/ACLS Community College Faculty Fellowships** support the research ambitions of humanities and social science faculty who teach at two-year institutions. ACLS invites applications for the fourth competition of the program this fall. These fellowships are made possible by the generous support of The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

Community college faculty in all disciplines of the [humanities and interpretive social sciences](#) are welcome to apply. The applicant's ultimate goal should be to advance a research project, and the project's outcomes may include one or more of the following: scholarly articles, book chapters, or book on a topic in the humanities or social sciences and/or teaching and learning in those disciplines; course plans; textbooks; exhibitions; community or campus events; online resources; etc. Projects with pedagogical or curricular outcomes must focus on a postsecondary context. Projects focused on teaching and learning in a K-12 setting are not appropriate for this program. Community and/or student engagement with the research project are encouraged, as is dissemination of the research to audiences across higher education.

In ACLS's peer review, funding packages, and engagement with fellows, we aspire to enact our values of equity and inclusion. ACLS will award up to 29 fellowships in the 2021-2022 competition year. The award carries a stipend of up to \$40,000, which may be used to support any

activities that advance the proposed research project. Examples include: salary replacement during the summer; course buyouts during the academic year; travel costs and registration fees for research and conferences; costs associated with organizing a conference, workshop, or event; fees related to publication or dissemination; stipends for undergraduate research assistants; costs for course materials (if one of the outcomes of the project is curricular); etc. In some cases, a limited portion of the funds may go to a fellow's institution to cover administrative costs associated with the project.

Tenure of the fellowship may begin no earlier than July 1, 2022 and end no later than December 31, 2023. Fellows will participate in a convening in fall 2023, held in partnership with the Community College Humanities Association, during which they will share their research with one another and connect with other humanities scholars.

Before beginning your application, you will be asked several questions designed to determine preliminary eligibility for this program. Once you have answered these basic eligibility questions, please read all instructions, including those in the REFERENCE LETTERS and PROPOSAL UPLOAD sections, before beginning to fill out the application form.

Completed applications must be submitted online no later than 9 pm, Eastern Daylight Time, October 27, 2021. Notifications will be sent via email by early April 2022. [Click](#) for more information.

## ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must:

1. be employed primarily as instructors at a two-year associate's degree-granting college, as defined by the [Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education](#), and remain so for the duration of the fellowship. Applicants do not need to be appointed full-time and do not need to be on the tenure-track. Part-time and adjunct instructors are welcome to apply, as long as community college teaching is their primary employment.
2. have an MA or PhD in the [humanities and interpretive social sciences](#) that was conferred by the application deadline.

Projects must:

1. address a topic in the humanities or social sciences and/or teaching and learning in those disciplines in a higher education setting.
2. employ predominantly humanistic approaches and qualitative/interpretive methodologies.
3. include substantial original research.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applications must include:

- Completed application form (including biographical information, as well as several short-answer questions)
- Proposal (no more than five pages, double spaced, in Times New Roman 11-point font)
- Project timeline with budget estimates (no more than one page)
- Bibliography (no more than one page)
- Two reference letters
- Institutional certification pledging that the applicant will be permitted to carry out the work outlined in the proposal. This is a brief form available through the online application portal to be completed by a department chair, dean, or other senior administrator.

Please see the [FAQ](#) for more details on the format and content of each piece of the application. Applicants are encouraged to consult the sample proposal outline provided as well as the available sample proposal narratives.

## EVALUATION CRITERIA

Peer reviewers are asked to be mindful of ACLS's commitment to inclusive excellence, and of how equity and diversity are integral components of merit. We are especially interested in supporting scholars who hail from diverse institutions and communities that are historically underrepresented in the academy. In addition, reviewers in this program are asked to evaluate all eligible proposals on the following four criteria:

1. The potential of the project to advance the field of study in which it is proposed and make a significant contribution to scholarship, teaching and learning, and/or the community.
2. The quality of the proposal with regard to its methodology, scope,

and clarity of expression.

3. The feasibility of the project, including the proposed timeline and budget.
4. The applicant's record of accomplishment and institutional, professional, and community service, taking into account relative advantages and constraints on resources for the proposed project and over the course of the applicant's career.

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Eligibility Check

**1. Are you employed primarily as an instructor at a two-year associate's degree-granting college, as defined by the [Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education](#), and planning to remain so for the duration of the fellowship?**

Yes No

**2. Do you have an MA or PhD in the humanities or related social sciences that will have been conferred by the application deadline (October 27, 2021)\*?**

Yes No

\*A community college faculty member who holds a graduate degree in a different field may also qualify if you satisfy the following two criteria:

1. most of the courses you teach are in the humanities or related social sciences, and
2. your project employs predominantly humanistic approaches and contributes to the humanities or the humanistic social sciences.

If you feel that you satisfy these two criteria, please click "yes" and email [fellowships@acsls.org](mailto:fellowships@acsls.org) with your name, institution, department, degree, a list of recent courses you have taught in the humanities and/or social sciences, and a brief description of your project.



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You may make as many visits to your application as you wish, and revise any information in your application until it has been submitted. In order to be considered, your application must be complete and in SUBMITTED status at **9 pm, Eastern Daylight Time, October 27, 2021**. **You should complete the REFERENCE LETTERS section as soon as possible since your letter writers will also have until the application deadline (October 27) to submit their letters.**

This application consists of three parts: the application form itself, the uploaded documents (see [PROPOSAL UPLOAD](#)), and reference letters (see [REFERENCE LETTERS](#)).

**BEFORE BEGINNING** the application form, please read the Instructions regarding the [PROPOSAL UPLOAD](#) and the [REFERENCE LETTERS](#), as well as the following technical instructions.

### A. HOW TO SAVE AND SUBMIT YOUR DATA.

1. Do not use your browser's "BACK" or "FORWARD" buttons for navigation. Instead, use the menu on the left to navigate between screens or the "SAVE AND CONTINUE" button at the bottom of each screen to take you to the next application screen.
2. You must **SAVE each time you leave a screen** by clicking the "SAVE" or "SAVE AND CONTINUE" buttons at the bottom of each screen. If you do not click on SAVE, anything entered since you last hit SAVE on that screen will be lost. (Any work from a previous session will be retained, but any new entries will be lost.) The SAVE button is on the bottom of your screen.

3. You may work on your application in as many sessions as you wish, and the status of your application will be **IN PROCESS** until you submit it. Once you are satisfied that your application is complete, you must go to the SUBMIT APPLICATION screen and select **SUBMIT APPLICATION**. Once your application has been SUBMITTED, it cannot revert to IN PROCESS status.
4. When you have completed your application, pause to check it one last time. We strongly suggest that you print and read your application before submitting it, so that you can be sure there are no further revisions you wish to make. Your print copy should include your uploaded document.
5. Your application status bar must show SUBMITTED at 9 pm, Eastern Daylight Time, October 27, 2021 in order for it to be considered. ACLS will take no responsibility for applications that are not in SUBMITTED status at the deadline. **Once your application has been SUBMITTED, even if it was submitted before the final deadline, no changes will be permitted.**
6. We strongly urge you to print out and save a copy of the final version of your SUBMITTED application. Your print copy should include your uploaded document.

## B. HOW TO ENTER DATA.

1. You may begin completing the application at any section.
2. What you type into the form is exactly what will be seen by our reviewers. Therefore, please fill out the form carefully, paying attention to spelling, punctuation, grammar, and case. (For instance, do not use all caps; do not enter hard returns within text fields; and do not include quotation marks or periods as part of your project title.)
3. Text boxes will hold only a limited amount of text. Where longer answers are permitted, the number of available characters will normally be indicated. We suggest that you type rather than paste your response. If you paste your response, be sure your character count does not exceed the limit. Examine your print application to be sure your response is complete.
4. Dates should always be entered in the format mm/yyyy or mm/dd/yyyy where indicated. Where an entry continues into the present, please simply leave the ending date blank (mm/yyyy - [blank]).
5. Begin typing all answers at the extreme left hand side of the

response area or box; do not leave a space or indent at the beginning of your answer.

### C. HOW TO GET HELP.

1. If you have questions about the application process, please consult FAQ. If your question is not answered there, click on the "HELP" link in the left menu to submit your query.
2. If you are unable to use the "HELP" link that appears in the menu, contact [ofahelp@acsls.org](mailto:ofahelp@acsls.org) with questions. (Please use the "HELP" link instead if possible; doing so means that your query contains valuable technical information that helps resolve issues you may be having in the portal.)

Good luck with your application!





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### Salutation

Dr.

### First Name

### Middle Name/Initial

### Last Name

### Suffix

### Preferred Pronouns

### Primary Email Address

(should be valid through May 2022)

### ORCID iD

ACLS requires all applicants to provide an ORCID iD as part of their application. [Learn more.](#)

The record search feature works for public ORCID records only. ([click here](#) to search ORCID)

Office Information

**Office Address**

**City**

**State**

Select One

(IF NOT U.S.)

**Zip/Postal Code**

(if using a ZIP-plus-4 code, please include hyphen)

**Country**

(IF NOT U.S.)

**Telephone**

(       )       -       , ext.

(IF NOT U.S.)

Home Information

**Home Address**

**City**

**State**

Select One

(IF NOT U.S.)

**Zip/Postal Code**

(if using a ZIP-plus-4 code, please include hyphen)

**Country**

(IF NOT U.S.)

**Telephone**

(     )     -     , ext.

(IF NOT U.S.)

**Which is your preferred mailing address?**

Select

**(Be sure to indicate your preferred mailing address.)**



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I prefer not to answer this question.

**With which group or groups do you most identify?**

Non-Hispanic White  
 Black or African American  
 Latina/o/x or Hispanic  
 American Indian or Alaskan Native  
 East Asian American  
 South Asian American  
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander  
 Middle Eastern or Arab American  
 Other:

I prefer not to answer this question.

**Do you identify as a first-generation college graduate?** Select

**Have you ever served on active duty in the US Armed Forces, Reserves, or National Guard?** Select

**Do you have a disability, including but not limited to a sensory, mobility,** Select

**developmental, psychological, or other  
impairment?**

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 PhD

## Degree received from

(To ensure proper processing of your application, your institution's name must be displayed correctly. Enter a few letters of your institution's name to search against our database. **Use the full name, not an acronym or abbreviation.**)

## Date received

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## PhD major discipline

## Title of doctoral dissertation

(150 max character limit: *character count = 0*)

## Name of dissertation supervisor

 Master's Degree

## Degree received from

(To ensure proper processing of your application, your institution's name must be displayed correctly. Enter a few letters of your institution's name to search against our database. **Use the full name, not an acronym or abbreviation.**)

**Select a degree**

Select One

**Date degree received**

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**Master's degree major discipline**

BA/BS

**Degree received from**

(To ensure proper processing of your application, your institution's name must be displayed correctly. Enter a few letters of your institution's name to search against our database. **Use the full name, not an acronym or abbreviation.**)

**Date received**

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**BA/BS major discipline**

Other Degrees

**List any additional degrees**

(150 max character limit: *character count = 0*)

Languages

List up to three non-English languages you can use, indicating proficiency in reading, speaking, and writing. (Use *E=Excellent, G=Good, F=Fair or less, N/A=Not applicable.*) If you are either a *Native Speaker* or *Heritage Speaker* of a language, please indicate by checking the appropriate box.

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing	Native Speaker	Herita
	*	*	*		
	*	*	*		
	*	*	*		

Degree Equivalence

If you do not have an MA or PhD in the humanities or social sciences and are requesting that you be considered for eligibility, please use this space to provide the following information: department, degree, a list of recent courses you have taught in the humanities and/or social sciences, and a brief description of your project. See the [FAQ](#) for further information.



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## Rank/Title

Select One

(Please choose the most appropriate from the list. If you have no academic affiliation, please select "Independent Scholar.")

## Discipline

(Please indicate here the discipline you would use in completing your academic title, for example, Associate Professor of French Literature, Professor of Philosophy, etc. Write **only** the name of your discipline, not your professorial title.)

## Specialization

## Department

## Institution

(To ensure proper processing of your application, please use the full official name of your institution, not an acronym or abbreviation. Enter a few letters of your institution's name in this box and, if the institution exists already in our database, you may select it from the list that appears. ACLS's database contains many institutions, but it is in no way comprehensive. If your institution does not appear, please simply type in your institution's full name.)

**Date you began this position**

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**Are you tenured?**

Select

**Please enter your total teaching responsibility in a normal academic year as a whole number**

For example, a course load of 3-3 should be entered as 6. Please do not include summer courses or overloads. If you taught a reduced course load due to service, medical/family leave, etc., enter the amount you would have taught if not for those releases.

**Second Institution  
(if applicable)**

(If you are currently affiliated with more than one institution, please list the second institution here.)

**Rank/Title**

Select One

**Date you began this position**

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# Professional Background

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List positions held (professional, teaching, administrative, curatorial) since college graduation, beginning with current position. Give name of institution, title, and approximate dates of employment for each.

*Please remember:*

- use only numbers in the date fields, for example, 09/1995
- use the format mm/yyyy throughout
- where an entry continues into the present, leave the "To" field blank

**Institution/Employer**

Title

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**Institution/Employer**

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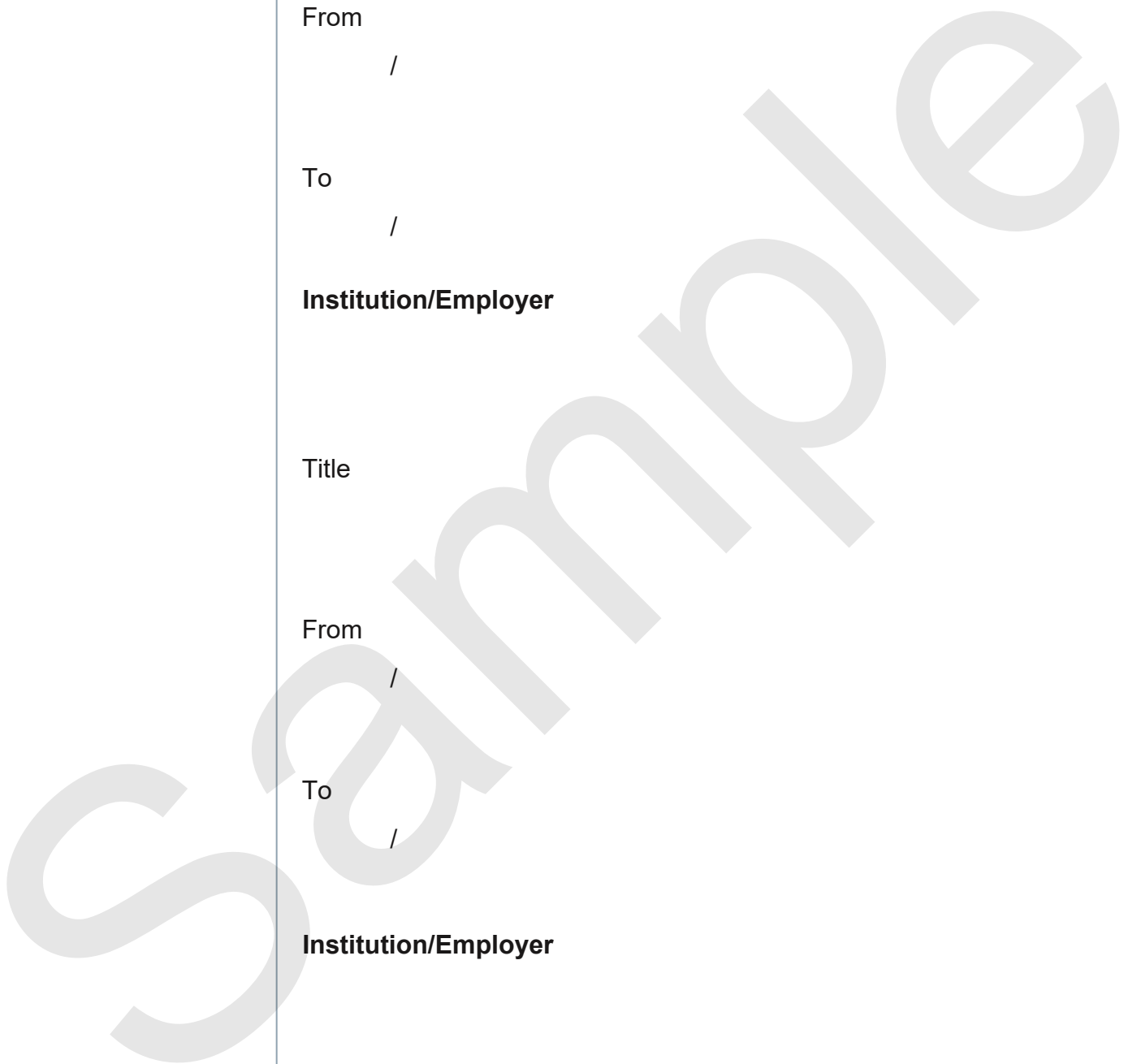
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Other Experience

Please list your past experience that is relevant to this project or that demonstrates its likelihood for success. You may want to list publications, awards, service, and any work completed on the project so far.

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In the text boxes below, please type rather than paste your response. If you paste your response, be sure your character count does not exceed the limit. Excess text may appear on the screen but will not print and will not be visible to reviewers. Examine your print application to be sure your responses are complete.

Do not use hard returns.

### Proposal Title

(250 max character limit: *character count = 0*)

### Proposal Abstract

(800 max character limit: *character count = 0*)

(800 max character limit: *character count = 0*)

**If there is a web page associated with your project, please provide the URL here:**

(Optional)



Your proposal will be reviewed by community college faculty from across the humanities and related social sciences. Use this space to make a case for the **broader significance of your project** for the humanities and social sciences. You could emphasize your project's connection to the college classroom, to the community, to another aspect of the role of the humanities and social sciences on community college campuses, or to humanistic scholarship more generally. Be sure, however, that your statement is legible to a multidisciplinary audience of reviewers.

(2000 max character limit: *character count = 0*)

Countries or Geographical Areas

List any countries or geographical areas on which your research is focused.

1.

Select One

2.

Select One

3.

Select One

4.

Select One

**Other**

Disciplinary Areas

Please identify up to five disciplinary areas, in order of relevance, that best describe your research project. Do not choose "other" unless none of the options is close to your field. **For your first selection please choose the specific field that most closely corresponds to your research project.**

**1.**

Select One

**Other**

**2.**

Select One

**Other**

**3.**

Select One

**Other**

**4.**

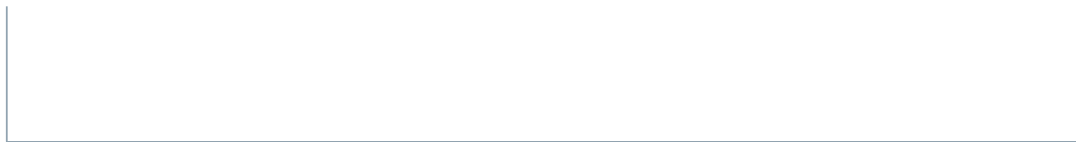
Select One

**Other**

**5.**

Select One

**Other**



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**Applicants are required to fill out the sections below. Please note that your answers to questions on this page are collected for statistical purposes only and will not be distributed as part of the review or selection process. Thank you for helping ACLS better understand the community we serve through this fellowship program.**

Administrative Information

*Please remember:*

- use only numbers in the date fields, for example, 09/1995
- use the format mm/yyyy throughout, except where mm/dd/yyyy is specifically requested
- where an entry continues into the present, leave the "To" field blank

**Current salary**

(do not add benefits or summer salary).

**Amount requested from ACLS**

**What is your country of citizenship?**

Select One

If Other, enter country

**Beginning date for Mellon/ACLS Community College Fellowship**

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**Fellowship ending date**

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(mm/dd/yyyy)

Statistical Purposes Only

**Date of birth**

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Informational Purposes Only

**1. How did you learn about ACLS fellowship programs? (Please select all that apply.)**

Higher Education publication (e.g., Chronicle of Higher Education, Inside Higher Ed)

Department newsletter or bulletin board

Dean or other administrator

Office of Sponsored Research/Grants and Fellowships

ACLS website

Other website

Please specify:

Former fellows

Social media

Please specify:

Other/informal communication

Please specify:

**2. Please identify the ACLS member scholarly societies or ACLS affiliate organizations (if any) of which you are a member or with which you have an affiliation. (Please check all that apply.)**

### **ACLS Constituent Learned Societies**

African Studies Association  
American Academy of Arts and Sciences  
American Academy of Religion  
American Anthropological Association  
American Antiquarian Society  
American Association for the History of Medicine  
American Association of Geographers  
American Comparative Literature Association  
American Dialect Society  
American Economic Association  
American Folklore Society  
American Historical Association  
American Musicological Society  
American Numismatic Society  
American Oriental Society  
American Philosophical Association  
American Philosophical Society  
American Political Science Association  
American Society for Aesthetics  
American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies  
American Society for Environmental History  
American Society for Legal History  
American Society for Theatre Research  
American Society of Church History  
American Society of Comparative Law  
American Society of International Law  
American Society of Overseas Research  
American Sociological Association  
American Studies Association  
Archaeological Institute of America  
Association for Asian Studies  
Association for Jewish Studies

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies  
Association for Study of African American Life and History  
Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies  
Association of American Law Schools  
Austrian Studies Association  
Bibliographical Society of America  
College Art Association  
College Forum of the National Council of Teachers of English  
Dictionary Society of North America  
Economic History Association  
German Studies Association  
Hispanic Society of America  
History of Science Society  
International Center of Medieval Art  
Latin American Studies Association  
Law and Society Association  
Linguistic Society of America  
Medieval Academy of America  
Metaphysical Society of America  
Middle East Studies Association of North America  
Modern Language Association of America  
National Communication Association  
National Council on Public History  
National Women's Studies Association  
North American Conference on British Studies  
Oral History Association  
Organization of American Historians  
Philosophy of Science Association  
Renaissance Society of America  
Rhetoric Society of America  
Shakespeare Association of America  
Sixteenth Century Society and Conference  
Society for American Music  
Society for Cinema and Media Studies  
Society for Classical Studies  
Society for Ethnomusicology  
Society for French Historical Studies  
Society for Military History  
Society for Music Theory  
Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study

Society for the History of Authorship, Reading and Publishing  
Society for the History of Technology  
Society of Architectural Historians  
Society of Biblical Literature  
Society of Dance History Scholars  
World History Association

### **ACLS Affiliates**

Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and  
Voluntary Action (ARNOVA)  
Association of American Colleges and Universities  
Association of Art Museum Curators  
Association of College & Research Libraries  
Association of Research Libraries  
Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences  
Center for Research Libraries  
Community College Humanities Association  
Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes  
Federation of State Humanities Councils  
International Society for Third-Sector Research  
Phi Beta Kappa

### **3. Please identify all ACLS fellowship programs (if any) to which you have previously applied.**

ACLS Fellowship  
ACLS Collaborative Research Fellowship  
ACLS Digital Extension Grant  
ACLS Digital Innovation Fellowship  
ACLS Emerging Voices Fellowship  
ACLS Leading Edge Fellowship  
ACLS New Faculty Fellows  
Charles A. Ryskamp Research Fellowship  
Frederick Burkhardt Residential Fellowship  
Getty/ACLS Postdoctoral Fellowships in the History of Art  
Luce/ACLS Dissertation Fellowship in American Art  
Luce/ACLS Fellowships in Religion, Journalism & International  
Affairs  
Luce/ACLS Program in China Studies  
Mellon/ACLS Community College Faculty Fellowship



Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship

Mellon/ACLS Public Fellows

Mellon/ACLS Scholars & Society Fellowship

The Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Program in Buddhist  
Studies

African Humanities Program

CCK Comparative Perspectives on Chinese Culture and Society

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**PLEASE NOTE:** You MUST ENTER YOUR REFEREES on the Reference Letters page BEFORE they can log in to use the online references system. Please do not ask them to access the system until you have done this. Once you have entered the information and clicked the "send email" button, an email will be automatically generated with appropriate instructions to the referee.

**Two letters of reference and one institutional certification are required.**

**1. REFERENCE LETTERS.** We suggest that you secure as referees individuals competent to judge both the present research proposal and your past scholarship, teaching, and service; ideally, you should select referees who are not affiliated with your own institution. ACLS does not accept reference letters from dossier services, such as Interfolio or university-based services. [Why?](#)

**2. INSTITUTIONAL CERTIFICATION.** In addition to two letters of reference, we require institutions to pledge that the applicant will be permitted to carry out the work outlined in the proposal. This portion of the application, which should be completed by a department chair, dean, or other senior administrator, is intended to forestall potential administrative hurdles if you are selected for an award. Should your college administrator have questions about the institutional statement, they may contact ACLS at [references@acsls.org](mailto:references@acsls.org).

The person who you select will receive a link to a brief form that asks the administrator to confirm 1) that you will be permitted to carry out the work outlined in your application materials, and 2) that you will

continue to receive normal fringe benefits for which you are ordinarily eligible during the fellowship period.

**Letters of reference and the institutional certification must be submitted online.** It is your responsibility to convey information about your proposal to your referees. After your referees have agreed to write on your behalf:

- Tell your referees to expect an email from ACLS.
- Make absolutely certain you have the correct email address for each referee.
- Enter each referee's name and email address by clicking on the "Add Referee" link at the bottom of this page. Please capitalize the name properly.
- Once you have entered the information and clicked the "send email" button, an email will be automatically generated with appropriate instructions to the referee.
- It is not necessary to enter all referees at the same time. You can return to this screen at any time to enter referees.
- Your referees will not receive an email to begin this process until you have entered the information and clicked the "send email" button.

**No more than two letters of reference and one institutional certification will be accepted.**

- Enter only the required number of referees. It is possible to enter additional referees, but you should do this only if you learn that a referee is unable to complete the promised letter.
- **The first two letters and first institutional certification submitted will be the letters on file in support of your application.** Once the maximum number have been submitted, another referee attempting to submit a letter for you will be prevented from doing so. Be careful not to put anyone in this situation.

If you learn that your referee did not receive an email with instructions, check the email address and then enter the information again using the "Add Referee" link below to have the email sent again. (While the email will be resent, you will not see anything here to indicate it. Also, you will not be able to enter the information again if the referee has begun your letter already.)

For your information, the online reference process requests referees to comment on the applicant as a scholar and professional and on the specific proposal to ACLS. Referees are asked to evaluate the scholar's ability to conduct and complete the project proposed, as well as the importance of this project within the general and specific field(s) to which it relates.

**Letters of reference are due by the application deadline, October 27, 2021. It is your responsibility to check online to see whether letters have been submitted.** The system will continue to accept letters after the deadline and will add them to your application at the earliest possible time, though we cannot guarantee that they will accompany your application through our entire review process.

You may wish to print this page so that you have this information after the application deadline. This page will not be included as part of your view/print application.

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To complete your application package, in addition to the application form, you must upload the following items: 1) a proposal, 2) a project timeline with budget estimates, and 3) a bibliography. **All three items should be collated to upload as one continuous document.**

## 1) PROPOSAL:

In preparing this material, please keep in mind that our review process consists of two stages. At the first stage, applicants' work is reviewed by individuals in their fields, while at the second, it is reviewed by a multi-disciplinary committee of community college faculty from across the humanities and social sciences.

**Content:** A concise statement describing your research project is required. The narrative proposal should explain, briefly but specifically, what you plan to do and why, progress you have already made, the project's background and significance, your methodology and research plan, and the project's outcomes. Please balance the description of specific work plans against an overview of your goals and the project's contributions. Please refer to the [sample proposal](#) outline and [the provided sample proposal narratives](#) for suggestions about what to include in your proposal and how to organize it. You may also find helpful this [essay](#) by a former ACLS program officer about writing successful proposals.

In addition, if your project is part of a collaborative undertaking, it is essential to explain that context and describe your relationship to the other participants. Please also list the names of your colleagues and

indicate whether or not those individuals are also applying for ACLS fellowships in the current competition.

**The proposal must not exceed 5 double-spaced pages in Times New Roman 11-point font.**

## **2) PROJECT TIMELINE WITH BUDGET ESTIMATES:**

Your timeline and budget should be in the form of a single chart that includes the location, duration, and cost associated with each activity related to the project. Please refer to this [sample timeline](#) with budget estimates for a suggested model.

Your budget may include salary replacement during the summer; course buyouts during the academic year; travel costs and registration fees for research and conferences; costs associated with organizing a conference, workshop, or event; fees related to publication or dissemination; stipends for undergraduate research assistants; costs for course materials (if one of the outcomes of the project is curricular); etc. In some cases, a limited portion of the funds (no more than 20 percent) may go to a fellow's institution to cover administrative costs associated with the project.

**The project timeline with budget estimates must not exceed 1 page.**

## **3) BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

The bibliography should list essential references for your project, and should balance the various sorts of key materials being used, e.g., primary sources and secondary texts.

**The bibliography must not exceed 1 page, and should be double-spaced between entries.**

**Documents must adhere to the page limits and formatting requirements to be reviewed.**

## **4) DOCUMENT SPECIFICATIONS:**

- All three items must be uploaded as one continuous document.
- Margins must be at least one inch on all sides.
- Use Times New Roman 11-point font for all uploaded documents.

There is a 3 MB limit on the size of your upload. This means that the total size of the upload, including any graphics or supplementary materials, cannot exceed 3 MB.

- Your application will be converted to Portable Document Format (.pdf). Keep formatting simple to avoid problems in the converted document.
- If your proposal includes non-Romance language characters, please view it after uploading to be sure these characters convert properly. If not, you may have to convert your document to .pdf and upload again to resolve formatting problems.
- Use the header/footer function to number pages. (Do not type the numbers directly into each page of your document text.) You may number pages consecutively throughout the entire document, or you may number the different sections separately. (Page numbers are most helpful on the proposal, so you may omit them on the other items if you wish.)
- If you have difficulty with your upload, consult the [FAQ/technical support](#) before contacting OFA HELP.

#### 5) INSTRUCTIONS FOR UPLOADING YOUR DOCUMENTS:

Your items should be collated in this order—proposal, project timeline with budget estimates, bibliography—and submitted as one file.

Files will be accepted in the following formats **ONLY**:

Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx), Text only (.txt), or Adobe Portable Document Format (.pdf). **Your file MUST include the appropriate extension** (e.g., ".doc"); if you are on a Mac, you will need to enter the extension as part of the file name.

The "SELECT" button below will allow you to browse your computer system to select the file that you wish to upload. There will be a brief pause after you select the file for the system to process the file for uploading. After that is complete, you must click "UPLOAD FILE" to begin the document conversion. When the upload is complete, your file name should appear under "FILE UPLOADED" below as a link. You can confirm that the file has uploaded successfully by clicking on that link and viewing your file. Sometimes the process takes a little time: if your file name does not appear as a link, you can refresh the screen using the link that appears below, or simply leave this screen and come back to it.

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- answered all appropriate questions
- completed and **saved** all screens
- uploaded successfully your proposal and accompanying documents

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**\*Please note** that, by the application deadline, you must complete the REFERENCE LETTERS section in addition to submitting your application.

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I have completed the application, and would like to **SUBMIT** it for ACLS consideration.